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April 4, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000951 - Los Angeles River Trash TMDL Compliance Phase 2A and Ballona Creek Trash TMDL Compliance Phase 1A, vicinities of Florence, Athens, Woodland Hills, and Chatsworth (1, 2, 3, and 5), United Storm Water, with changes amounting to a credit of \$1,665.00, and a final contract amount of \$1,496,733.00.

Project ID No. FCC0000971 - Lindero Canyon, Agoura Road to Lake Lindero Drive, City of Agoura (3), Olivas Valdez, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$47,139.30, and a final contract amount of \$723,645.40.

Project ID No. FCC0000978 - Priority A and B Catch Basin Retrofit in Cities Tributary to the Los Angeles River, Phase 1B, Cities of El Monte, South El Monte, Huntington Park, Maywood, Pico Rivera, Vernon, Alhambra, Arcadia, Burbank, and Glendale (1 and 5), United Storm Water, with changes amounting to a credit of \$29,361.43, and a final contract amount \$607,490.70.

Project ID No. RDC0011153 - Hacienda Boulevard, et al., vicinities of La Puente and West Covina (1 and 5), Sully-Miller Contracting Company, with changes in the amount of \$9,370.01, and a final contract amount of \$615,560.07.

Project ID No. RDC0014461 - Avenue L at 45th Street West, vicinity of Lancaster (5), TDS Engineering, with a final contract amount of \$353,116.98.

Project ID No. TRN0000006 - Foothill Transit Solar Power Light Poles, vicinities of West Covina, Hacienda Heights, and Glendora (1, 4, and 5), All Purpose Manufacturing, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$8,300.00, and a final contract amount of \$221,200.25.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000951, FCC0000971, FCC0000978, RDC0011153, and TRN0000006.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$47,139.30 to an increase in the amount of \$9,370.01, while the total value of the contracts range from \$221,200.25 to \$1,496,733.00.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000951, LOS ANGELES RIVER TRASH TMDL COMPLIANCE PHASE 2A AND BALLONA CREEK TRASH TMDL COMPLIANCE PHASE 1A (in the vicinities of Florence, Athens, Woodland Hills, and Chatsworth),  
Supervisory Districts 1, 2, 3, and 5

Contractor: United Storm Water, 14000 East Valley Boulevard, Suite B, City of Industry, California 91746

### Project Description:

Installation of retrofit devices in existing storm drain catch basins to reduce the amount of trash and debris entering the storm drain system.

### Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$1,665.00)

### Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

The credit for this Item is based on contract unit prices.

### Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 24, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications; however, the contractor failed to comply with all the Affirmative Action reporting requirements of the contract. Since the contractor has failed to comply with these reporting requirements, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract subject to a \$600 deduction. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Amount Due Contractor:

Original contract amount	\$1,497,081.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	1,917.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(1,665.00)
Deduction for Affirmative Action noncompliance	<u>(600.00)</u>
AMOUNT DUE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	<u>\$1,496,733.00</u>

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000971, LINDERO CANYON, AGOURA ROAD TO LAKE LINDERO DRIVE, (City of Agoura), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Olivas Valdez, Inc., P.O. Box 4576, Covina, California 91723

### Project Description:

Replacement of a damaged reinforced concrete transition structure and other appurtenant work.

### Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$48,320.30)
(2) Provide Biological Monitoring	131.00
(3) Install Access Gate and Steps	<u>1,050.00</u>
Total	(\$ <u>47,139.30</u> )

### Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) Your Board previously approved a change in work to retain the services of a biologist to monitor the project site to comply with the California Department of Fish and Game Streambed Alteration Agreement. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.

(3) Your Board previously approved a change in work to install an access gate at the north side of the channel. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2 and 3 were based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 13, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$755,818.70
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	14,966.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(47,139.30)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$723,645.40</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
April 4, 2006

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000978, PRIORITY A AND B CATCH BASIN RETROFIT  
IN CITIES TRIBUTARY TO THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, PHASE 1B (Cities of  
El Monte, South El Monte, Huntington Park, Maywood, Pico Rivera, Vernon, Alhambra,  
Arcadia, Burbank, and Glendale), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: United Storm Water, 14000 East Valley Boulevard, Suite B  
City of Industry, California 91746

Project Description:

Construction of retrofit devices in existing storm drain catch basins to reduce the  
amount of trash and debris entering the storm drain system and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$ 3,710.39)
(2) Furnish and Install Filter Basket Inserts	(23,488.68)
(3) Furnish and Install Automatic Retractable Screens	<u>(2,162.36)</u>
Total	(\$ <u>29,361.43</u> )

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid  
items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in  
contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid  
quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The City of El Monte requested 20 filter basket inserts be furnished and installed in  
place of 20 automatic retractable screens. This resulted in a credit to the contract in the  
amount shown.

(3) The Cities of Glendale and Burbank requested substitution of one type of  
automatic retractable screen for another type. This resulted in a credit to the contract in  
the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 and a portion of the costs for Items 2 and 3 were based on contract  
unit prices. The remainder of the costs for Items 2 and 3 were negotiated as provided in  
Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Twenty-four additional working days were required because of these changes. The contractor was also granted 18 additional move-in days.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 1, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$636,852.13
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(29,361.43)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$607,490.70</u>

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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### PROJECT ID NO. RDC0011153, HACIENDA BOULEVARD, ET AL.

(in the vicinities of La Puente and West Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: Sully-Miller Contracting Company, 1100 East Orangethorpe Avenue, Suite 200, Anaheim, California 92801

### Project Description:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement; reconstruction of curb, gutter, sidewalk, and cross gutters; construction of curb ramps and bus pads; installation of striping and pavement markings; and the modification of traffic signals.

### Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$27,847.43)
(2) Construction in Phases	33,600.00
(3) Message Board	<u>3,617.44</u>
Total	<u>\$ 9,370.01</u>

### Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) In order to minimize the impact to traffic flow, the contractor was directed to reconstruct the roadway in phases at the intersections of Francisquito Avenue and Hacienda Boulevard and Maplegrove Street and Hacienda Boulevard. It was necessary to compensate the contractor for additional costs incurred due to phasing the construction. This work was not shown on the plans.

(3) Your Board previously approved a change in work to provide a message board to alert motorists of the closure of the intersections of Maplegrove Street and Hacienda Boulevard and Francisquito Avenue and Hacienda Boulevard. The cost of this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Fourteen additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 11, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required to negotiate a resolution to a potential claim from the contractor and for the contractor to furnish documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$588,404.19
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	17,785.87
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>9,370.01</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$615,560.07</u>

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014461, AVENUE L AT 45TH STREET WEST  
(in the vicinity of Lancaster), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: TDS Engineering, 2899 Agoura Road, Suite 171, Westlake Village, California 91361-3218

### Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalk, and curb ramps; modification and installation of traffic signals; installation of striping and pavement markings.

### Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 30, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

### Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$338,275.50
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>14,841.48</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$353,116.98</u>

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. TRN0000006, FOOTHILL TRANSIT SOLAR POWER LIGHT POLES  
(in the vicinities of West Covina, Hacienda Heights, and Glendora),  
Supervisory Districts 1, 4, and 5

Contractor: All Purpose Manufacturing, Inc., 6401 Nohl Ranch Road, Suite 80,  
Anaheim, California 92807

### Project Description:

Furnishing and installation of solar powered light poles at nonilluminated bus stop shelters.

### Change in Work:

Footings and Pole Modifications	\$8,300.00
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### Description of Change:

Modifications were made to the footings and poles to enhance security of the solar powered lights. This work was not shown on the plans. The cost for this work was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days were required because of this change.

### Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 12, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

### Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$212,900.25
Change in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>8,300.00</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$221,200.25</u></b>

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